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Viſit to Mount Ætna, *by* P. Brydone, *F. R. S.*

ON the 27th, by Daybreak, we ſet off to viſit Mount Ætna, that venerable and reſpectable Father of Mountains. His Baſe, and his immenſe Declivities, are covered over with a numerous Progeny of his own, for every great Eruption produces a new Mountain; and perhaps by the Number of theſe, better than by any other Method, the Number of Eruptions, and the Age Ætna itſelf, might be aſcertained.

The whole Mountain is divided into three diſtinct Regions, called La Regione Culta, or Piedmonteſe, the fertile Region; Il Regione Sylvoſa, or Nemoroſa, the woody Region; and Il Regione Deſerta, or Scoperta, or the barren Region.

Theſe three are as different, both in Climate and Productions, as the three Zones of the Earth; and perhaps, with equal Propriety, might have been ſtiled the torrid, the temperate, and the frigid Zone. The firſt Region ſurrounds the Foot of the Mountain, and forms the moſt fertile Country in the World on all Sides of it, to the Height of about fourteen or fifteen Miles, where the woody Region begins. It is compoſed, almoſt entirely, of Lava; which, after a great Number of Ages, is at laſt converted into the moſt fertile of all Soils. At Nicoloſi, which is twelve Miles up the Mountain, we found the Barometer at 27 : 1¼; at Cattania it ſtood at 29 : 8¼. Although the former Elevation is not very great, probably not exceeding 3000 Feet, yet the Climate was totally changed. At Cattania the Harveſt was entirely over, and the Heats were inſupportable; here they were moderate, and in many Places the Corn was yet green.

The great Eruption of 1669, after ſhaking the whole Country around for no leſs than four Months, and forming a very large Mountain of Stones and Aſhes, burſt out about a Mile above Montpelieri, and deſcending like a Torrent hit exactly againſt the Middle of that Mountain, and they pretend has perforated it from Side to Side. However, this I doubt, as it muſt have broke the regular Form of the Mountain, which is not the Caſe; but it is certain that it pierced it to a very great Depth. It then divided into two Branches, and ſurrounding this beautiful Mountain joined again on its ſouth Side; and laying waſte the whole Country between that and Cattania ſcaled the Walls of that City, and poured its flaming Torrent into the Ocean. In its Way it is ſaid to have deſtroyed the Poſſeſſions of near 30,000 People, and reduced them to Beggary. It formed ſeveral Hills where there were formerly Vallies, and filled up a large deep Lake, of which there is not now the leaſt Veſtige to be ſeen.

As the Events of this Eruption are better known than any other, they tell a great many ſingular Stories of it; one of which, however incredible it may appear, is very well aſcertained, and is a moſt undoubted Fact. A Vineyard, belonging to a Convent of Jeſuits, lay exactly in its Way. This Vineyard was formed on an ancient Lava, probably a thin one, with a Number of Caverns and Crevices under it. The liquid Lava, entering into theſe Caverns, ſoon filled them up, and by Degrees bore up the Vineyard; and the Jeſuits, who every Moment expected to ſee it burſt, beheld, with the utmoſt Amazement, the whole Field begin to move off. It was carried, on the Surface of the Lava, to a conſiderable Diſtance; and though the greateſt Part was deſtroyed, yet ſome of it remains to this Day.

We went to examine the Mouth from whence this dreadful Torrent iſſued, and were ſurpriſed to find it only a ſmall Hole, of about three or four Yards Diameter. The Mountain from whence it ſprung, I think, is very little leſs than the conical Part of Veſuvius.

There is a vaſt Cavern on the oppoſite Side of it, where People go to ſhoot wild Pigeons, which breed there in great Abundance. The innermoſt Parts of this Cavern are ſo very diſmal and gloomy that our Landlord told us ſome People had loſt their Senſes from having advanced too far, imagining that they ſaw Devils and the Spirits of the Damned; for it is ſtill very generally believed here, that Ætna is the Mouth of Hell.

We found a Degree of Wildneſs and Ferocity in the Inhabitants of this Mountain that I have not obſerved any Where elſe. It put me in Mind of an Obſervation the Padre della Torre (the Hiſtoriographer of Mount Veſuvius) told me that he had often made in the Confines of Naples, that in Places where the Air is moſt ſtrongly impregnated with Sulphur and hot Exhalations the People were always moſt wicked and vicious. Whatever Truth there may be in the Obſervation, the People about Nicoloſi at leaſt ſeem to confirm it. The whole Village flocked round us, and the Women in particular abuſed us exceedingly; the Cauſe of which we at laſt found was, that F——'s blooming Complexion, and white Skin, had made them take him for one of their own Sex. The Clamour was exceedingly loud, and it was with the utmoſt Difficulty we could appeaſe them. The Perſon whom Recupero had appointed to accompany us, known by the Name of the Cyclops (the Man in the Iſland that is beſt acquainted with Mount Ætna) was abſolutely ordered by them not to go with us; and if he had not at laſt obtained their Conſent by Soothing and Flattery, the only Method with Women, he durſt not have diſobliged them. At firſt we had been obliged to ſhut the Gate of the Court, they were ſo very noiſy and tumultuous; but when our Landlord (a Prieſt) for whom we had Letters from Cattania, aſſured them that we were Chriſtians, and came with no bad Intentions, they became more moderate, and we ventured out amongſt them. This Confidence ſoon acquired theirs, and in a ſhort Time we became good Friends and had a great Deal of Converſation.

We ſoon after left Nicoloſi; and in an Hour and a Half's travelling, over barren Aſhes and Lava, we arrived on the Confines of the Regione Sylvoſa, or the temperate Zone. So ſoon as we entered theſe delightful Foreſts we ſeemed to have got into another World: The Air, which before was ſultry and hot, was now cool and refreſhing; and every Breeze was loaded with a Thouſand Perfumes, the whole Ground being covered over with the richeſt aromatick Plants. Many Parts of this Region are really the moſt heavenly Spots upon Earth; and if Ætna reſembles Hell within, it may with equal Juſtice be ſaid to reſemble Paradiſe without.

It is indeed a curious Conſideration that this Mountain ſhould reunite every Beauty and every Horrour, and in ſhort all the moſt oppoſite and diſſimilar Objects in Nature. Here you obſerve a Gulf, that formerly threw out Torrents of Fire and Smoke, now covered with the moſt luxuriant Vegetation, and from an Object of Terrour become one of Delight. Here you gather the moſt delicious Fruit, riſing from what was but lately a black and barren Rock. Here the Ground is covered with every Flower; and we wander over theſe Beauties, and contemplate this Wilderneſs of Sweets, without conſidering that Hell, with all its Terrours, is immediately under our Feet, and that but a few Yards ſeparate us from Lakes of liquid Fire and Brimſtone.

But our Aſtoniſhment ſtill increaſes on caſting our Eyes on the higher Regions of the Mountain. There we behold, in perpetual Union, the two Elements that are at perpetual War: An immenſe Gulf of Fire for ever exiſting in the Midſt of Snows, that it has not Power to melt; and immenſe Fields of Snow and Ice for ever ſurrounding this Gulf of Fire, which they have not Power to extinguiſh.

The woody Region of Ætna aſcends for about eight or nine Miles, and forms an exact Zone or Girdle, of the brighteſt Green, all around the Mountain. This Night we paſſed through little more than the Half of it, arriving ſome Time before Sunſet at our Lodgings, which was no other than a large Cave, formed by one of the moſt ancient and venerable Lavas. It is called La Speloncа del Capriolè, or the Goats Cavern; becauſe frequented by theſe Animals, who take Refuge there in bad Weather.

Here we were delighted by the Contemplation of many great and beautiful Objects; the Proſpect on all Sides is immenſe, and we already ſeem to be lifted up from the Earth and to have got into a new World.

Our Cavern is ſurrounded by the moſt ſtately and majeſtick Oaks, of the dry Leaves of which we made very comfortable Beds; and with our Hatchets, which we had bought on Purpoſe, we cut down great Branches, and in a ſhort Time had a Fire large enough to roaſt an Ox. I obſerved my Thermometer, and found, from 71 at Nicoloſi, it had now fallen below 60. The Barometer ſtood at 24 : 2. In one End of our Cave we ſtill found a great Quantity of Snow, which ſeemed to be ſent there on Purpoſe for us, as there was no Water to be found. With this we filled our Tea Kettle, as Tea and Bread and Butter was the only Supper we had provided, and probably the beſt one to prevent us from being overcome by Sleep or Fatigue.

Not a great Way from this Cavern there are two of the moſt beautiful Mountains of all that immenſe Number that ſpring from Ætna. I mounted one of our beſt Mules, and with a good Deal of Difficulty arrived at the Summit of the higheſt of theſe, juſt a little before Sunſet. The Proſpect of Sicily, with the ſurrounding Sea and all its Iſlands, was wonderfully noble. The whole Courſe of the River Semetus, the Ruins of Hybla, and ſeveral other ancient Towns, the rich Corn Fields and Vineyards on the lower Region of the Mountain, and the amazing Quantity of beautiful Mountains below, made a delightful Scene. The hollow Craters of theſe two Mountains are each of them conſiderably larger than that of Veſuvius. They are now filled with ſtately Oaks, and covered to a great Depth with the richeſt Soil. I obſerved that this Region of Ætna, like the former, is compoſed of Lava; but this is now covered ſo deep with Earth that it is no Where to be ſeen, but in the Beds of the Torrents. In many of theſe it is worn down by the Water to the Depth of fifty or ſixty Feet, and in one of them ſtill conſiderably more. What an Idea does not this give of the amazing Antiquity of the Eruptions of this Mountain!

So ſoon as it was dark we retired to our Cave, and took Poſſeſſion of our Bed of Leaves. Our Reſt, however, was ſomewhat diſturbed by the Noiſe of a Mountain that lay a good Way off on our Right. It diſcharged great Quantities of Smoke, and made ſeveral Exploſions like heavy Cannon at a Diſtance; but what is ſingular, we could obſerve no Appearance of Fire. This Mountain was formed by an Eruption in 1766, now upwards of four Years ago, the Fire of which is not yet extinguiſhed, neither is the Lava by any Means cold. This Lava ſpent its Fury on a beautiful Foreſt, which it laid waſte to the Extent of a good many Miles. In many Places it has run into Gulfies of a great Depth, which it has filled up to the Height, we are told, of 200 Feet. It is in theſe Places where it retains the greateſt Heat. On our Road to day we ſcrambled up this Lava, and went a conſiderable Way over its Surface, which appeared perfectly cold; but it is certain that in many Places it ſtill emits great Volumes of Smoke, particularly after Rain; and the People ſay, what I can readily believe, that this will probably be ſtill the Caſe for ſome Years, where the Lava is thickeſt. A ſolid Body of Fire of ſome Hundreds of Feet thick, and of ſo great an Extent, muſt certainly retain its Heat for many Years. Maſſa, a Sicilian Author of Credit, ſays he was at Cattania eight Years after the great Eruption in 1669, and that he ſtill found the Lava in many Places was not cold. But there is an eaſy Method of calculating the Time that Bodies take to cool. Sir Iſaac Newton, I think, in his Account of the Comet of 1680, ſuppoſes the Times to be as the Squares of their Diameters; and finding that a ſolid Ball of Metal of two Inches, made red hot, required upwards of an Hour to become perfectly cold, made the Calculation from that to a Body of the ſame Diameter as our Earth, and found it would require upwards of 20,000 Years. If this Rule is juſt, the Time may be computed that the Lava will take to become thoroughly cold.

After getting a comfortable Nap on our Bed of Leaves in the Speloncа del Capriole, we awoke about eleven o'Clock; and melting down a ſufficient Quantity of Snow, we boiled our Tea Kettle, and made a hearty Meal, to prepare us for the remaining Part of our Expedition. We were nine in Number; for we had our three Servants, the Cyclops (our Conductor) and two Men to take Care of our Mules. The Cyclops now began to diſplay his great Knowledge of the Mountain, and we followed him with implicit Confidence. He conducted us over "Antres vaſt, and Deſerts wild," where ſcarce human Foot had ever trod; ſometimes through gloomy Foreſts, which by Daylight were delightful, but now, from the univerſal Darkneſs, the ruſtling of the Trees, the heavy, dull bellowing of the Mountain, the vaſt Expanſe of Ocean ſtretched at an immenſe Diſtance below us, inſpired a Kind of awful Horrour. Sometimes we found ourſelves aſcending great Rocks of Lava, where, if our Mules ſhould make but a falſe Step, we might be thrown headlong over the Precipice. However, by the Aſſiſtance of the Cyclops, we overcame all theſe Difficulties; and he managed Matters ſo well that in the Space of two Hours we found we had got above the Regions of Vegetation, and that we had left the Foreſts of Ætna far behind. Theſe appeared now like a dark and gloomy Gulf below us, that ſurrounded the Mountain.

The Proſpect before us was of a very different Nature; we beheld an Expanſe of Snow and Ice that alarmed us exceedingly, and almoſt ſtaggered our Reſolution. In the Centre of this, but ſtill at a great Diſtance, we obſerved the high Summit of the Mountain, rearing its tremendous Head, and vomiting out Torrents of Smoke. It indeed appeared totally inacceſſible, from the vaſt Extent of the Fields of Snow and Ice that ſurrounded it. Our Diffidence was ſtill increaſed, by the Sentiments of the Cyclops. He told us it often happened that the Surface of the Mountain, being hot below, melted the Snow in particular Spots, and formed Pools of Water, where it was impoſſible to ſee this our Danger; that it likewiſe happened that the Surface of the Water, as well as the Snow, was often covered over with black Aſhes, that rendered it exceedingly treacherous; that however, if we thought proper, he ſhould lead us on with as much Caution as poſſible. Accordingly, after holding a Council of War (which you know People generally do when they are very much afraid) we ſent our Cavalry down to the Foreſt below, and prepared to climb the Snows. The Cyclops, after taking a great Draught of Brandy, deſired us to be of good Cheer, that we had Plenty of Time, and might take as many Reſts as we pleaſed; that the Snow could be little more than ſeven Miles, and that we certainly ſhould be able to accompliſh it ſome Time before Sunriſe. Accordingly, taking each of us a Dram of Liqueur, which ſoon removed every Objection, we began our March.

The Aſcent, for ſome Time, was not rapid; and as the Surface of the Snow ſunk a little, we had tolerable good Footing; but as it ſoon began to grow ſteeper, we found our Labour greatly increaſed. However, we determined to perſevere; remembering, in the Midſt of our Fatigue, that the Emperour Adrian, and the Philoſopher Plato, underwent the ſame, and from the ſame Motive too, to ſee the riſing Sun from the Top of Ætna. After incredible Labour and Fatigue, but at the ſame Time mixed with a great Deal of Pleaſure, we arrived before Dawn at the Ruins of an ancient Structure, called Il Torre del Filoſopho, ſuppoſed to have been built by the Philoſopher Empedocles, who took up his Habitation here, the better to ſtudy Mount Ætna. By others, it is ſuppoſed to be the Ruins of a Temple of Vulcan, whoſe Shop, all the World knows (where he uſed to make excellent Thunderbolts and celeſtial Armour, as well as Nets to catch his Wife when ſhe went aſtray) was ever kept in Mount Ætna. Here we reſted ourſelves for ſome Time, and made a freſh Application to our Liqueur Bottle; which, I am perſuaded, both Vulcan and Empedocles, had they been here, would have greatly approved of after ſuch a March.

I found the Mercury had fallen to 20 : 6. We had now Time to pay our Adorations in a ſilent Contemplation of the ſublime Objects of Nature. The Sky was perfectly clear, and the immenſe Vault of the Heavens appeared in awful Majeſty and Splendour. We found that it ſtruck us much more forcibly than below, and at firſt were at a Loſs to know the Cauſe; till we obſerved, with Aſtoniſhment, that the Number of the Stars ſeemed to be infinitely increaſed, and that the Light of each of them appeared brighter than uſual. The Whiteneſs of the Milky Way was like a pure Flame, that ſhot acroſs the Heavens; and with the naked Eye we could obſerve Cluſters of Stars, that were totally inviſible in the Regions below. We did not at firſt attend to the Cauſe, nor recollect that we had now paſſed through 10 or 12,000 Feet of groſs Vapour, that blunts and confuſes every Ray before it reaches the Surface of the Earth. We were amazed at the Diſtinctneſs of Viſion, and exclaimed together, What a glorious Situation for an Obſervatory! Had Empedocles had the Eyes of Galileo, what Diſcoveries muſt he not have made! We regretted that Jupiter was not viſible, as I really believe we might have diſcovered ſome of his Satellites with the naked Eye, or at leaſt with a ſmall Glaſs, which I had in my Pocket. We obſerved a Light a great Way below us on the Mountain, which ſeemed to move among the Foreſts; but whether it was an *Ignis Fatuus*, or what it was, I ſhall not pretend to ſay. We likewiſe took Notice of ſeveral of theſe Meteors called Falling Stars, which ſtill appeared to be equally elevated above us as when ſeen from the Plain; ſo that, in all Probability, theſe Bodies move in Regions much more remote than the Bounds that ſome Philoſophers have preſcribed to our Atmoſphere.

After contemplating theſe Objects for ſome Time we ſet off, and ſoon after arrived at the Foot of the great Crater of the Mountain. This is exactly of a conical Figure, and riſes equally on all Sides. It is compoſed ſolely of Aſhes and other burnt Materials, diſcharged from the Mouth of the Volcano, which is in its Centre. This conical Mountain is of a very great Size; its Circumference cannot be leſs than ten Miles. Here we took a ſecond Reſt, as the moſt violent Part of our Fatigue ſtill remained; the Mercury had fallen to 20 : 4½. We found this Mountain exceſſively ſteep; and although it had appeared black, it was likewiſe covered with Snow, the Surface of which (luckily for us) was ſpread over with a pretty thick Layer of Aſhes, thrown out from the Crater. Had it not been for this, we never ſhould have been able to get to the Top; as the Snow was every Where frozen hard and ſolid, from the piercing Cold of the Atmoſphere.

In about an Hour's climbing we arrived at a Place where there was no Snow, and a warm comfortable Vapour iſſued from the Mountain, which induced us to make another Halt. Here I found the Mercury at 19 : 6½. The Thermometer, to my Amazement, was fallen three Degrees below the Point of Congelation; and before we left the Summit of Ætna it fell two Degrees more, viz. to 27. From this Spot it was only about 300 Yards to the higheſt Summit of the Mountain, where we arrived in full Time to ſee the moſt wonderful and moſt ſublime Sight in Nature.

But here Deſcription muſt ever fall ſhort, for no Imagination has dared to form an Idea of ſo glorious and ſo magnificent a Scene; neither is there, on the Surface of this Globe, any one Point that unites ſo many awful and ſublime Objects. The immenſe Elevation from the Surface of the Earth, drawn as it were to a ſingle Point, without any neighbouring Mountain for the Senſes and Imagination to reſt upon, and recover from their Aſtoniſhment in their Way down to the World; this Point, or Pinnacle, raiſed on the Brink of a bottomleſs Gulf, as old as the World, often diſcharging Rivers of Fire, and throwing out burning Rocks, with a Noiſe that ſhakes the whole Iſland; add to this the unbounded Extent of the Proſpect, comprehending the greateſt Diverſity and the moſt beautiful Scenery in Nature; with the riſing Sun, advancing in the Eaſt, to illuminate the wonderous Scene.

The whole Atmoſphere by Degrees kindled up, and ſhowed dimly and faintly the boundleſs Proſpect around. Both Sea and Land looked dark and confuſed, as if only emerging from their original Chaos, and Light and Darkneſs ſeemed ſtill undivided; till the Morning, by Degrees advancing, completed the Separation. The Stars are extinguiſhed, and the Shades diſappear. The Foreſts, which but now ſeemed black and bottomleſs Gulfs, from whence no Ray was reflected to ſhow their Form or Colours, appear a new Creation riſing to the Sight, catching Life and Beauty from every increaſing Beam. The Scene ſtill enlarges, and the Horizon ſeems to widen and expand itſelf on all Sides; till the Sun, like the great Creator, appears in the Eaſt, and with his plaſtick Ray completes the mighty Scene. All appears Enchantment, and it is with Difficulty we can believe we are ſtill on Earth. The Senſes, unaccuſtomed to ſuch Objects, are bewildered and confounded; and it is not till after ſome Time that they are capable of ſeparating and judging of them. The Body of the Sun is ſeen riſing from the Ocean, immenſe Tracks both of Sea and Land intervening. The Iſlands of Lipari, Panari, Alicudi, Strombolo, and Volcano, with their ſmoking Summits, appear under your Feet; and you look down on the Whole of Sicily as on a Map, and can trace every River through all its Windings, from its Source to its Mouth. The View is abſolutely boundleſs on every Side, nor is there any one Object within the Circle of Viſion to interrupt it, ſo that the Sight is every Where loſt in the Immenſity; and I am perfectly convinced that it is only from the Imperfection of our Organs that the Coaſts of Africa, and even of Greece, are not diſcovered, as they are certainly above the Horizon.

The preſent Crater of this immenſe Volcano is a Circle of about three Miles and a Half in Circumference; it goes ſhelving down on each Side, and forms a regular Hollow, like a vaſt Amphitheatre. From many Places of this Space iſſue Volumes of ſulphureous Smoke, which being much heavier than the circumambient Air, inſtead of riſing in it, as Smoke generally does, immediately on its getting out of the Crater rolls down the Side of the Mountain like a Torrent; till, coming to that Part of the Atmoſphere of the ſame ſpecifick Gravity with itſelf, it ſhoots off horizontally, and forms a large Track in the Air, according to the Direction of the Wind, which (happily for us) carried it exactly in the oppoſite Side to that where we were placed. The Crater is ſo hot that it is very dangerous, if not impoſſible, to go down into it; beſides, the Smoke is very incommodious, and in many Places the Surface is ſo ſoft that there have been Inſtances of People ſinking down in it, and paying for their Temerity with their Lives. Near the Centre of the Crater is the great Mouth of the Volcano; that tremendous Gulf ſo celebrated in all Ages, looked upon as the Terrour and Scourge both of this and another Life, and equally uſeful to ancient Poets or to modern Divines, when the Muſe or when the Spirit inſpires. We beheld it with Awe and with Horrour, and were not ſurpriſed that it had been conſidered as the Place of the Damned. When we think of the Immenſity of its Depth, the vaſt Cells and Caverns whence ſo many Lavas have iſſued; the Force of its internal Fire, to raiſe up theſe Lavas to ſo vaſt a Height, to ſupport it as it were in the Air, and even force it over the very Summit of the Crater, with all the dreadful Accompaniments; the Boiling of the Matter, the Shaking of the Mountain, the Exploſions of flaming Rocks, &c. we muſt allow that the moſt enthuſiaſtick Imagination, in the Midſt of all its Terrours, hardly ever formed an Idea of a Hell more dreadful.

I had often been told of the great Effect produced by diſcharging a Gun on the Tops of high Mountains. I tried it here; when we were a good Deal ſurpriſed to find that inſtead of increaſing the Sound it was almoſt reduced to nothing. The Report was not equal to that of a ſmall Pocket Piſtol; we compared it to the Stroke of a Stick on a Door. And ſurely it is conſiſtent with Reaſon that the thinner the Air is the leſs its Impreſſion muſt be on the Ear; for in a Vacuum there can be no Noiſe, or no Impreſſion can be made, and the nearer the Approach to a Vacuum the Impreſſion muſt always be the ſmaller. Where theſe great Effects have been produced muſt have been amongſt a Number of Mountains, where the Sound is reverberated from one to the other.

It has likewiſe been obſerved, and from Experience I can ſay with Truth, that on the Tops of the higheſt Mountains, where the Air is ſo

pure and refined, and where there is not that immenſe Weight of groſs Vapours preſſing upon the Body, the Mind acts with greater Freedom, and all the Functions both of Soul and Body are performed in a ſuperiour Manner. It would appear that in Proportion as we are raiſed above the Habitations of Men all low and vulgar Sentiments are left behind, and that the Soul in approaching the ethereal Regions ſhakes off its earthly Affections, and already contracts ſomething of their invariable Purity. Here, where you ſtand under a ſerene Sky, and behold, with equal Sereenity, the Tempeſt and Storm forming below your Feet, the Lightning darting from Cloud to Cloud, and the Thunder rolling round the Mountain, and threatning with Deſtruction the poor Wretches below, the Mind conſiders the little Storms and Thunder of the human Paſſions as equally below her Notice. Surely the Situation alone is enough to inſpire Philoſophy, and Empedocles had good Reaſon for chooſing it.

To the EDITOR *of* LLOYD'S EVENING POST.

SIR,

I HAVE this Moment put out of my Hand the Roman Hiſtory, which, for three or four Hours, I have been reading with great Attention. The Thoughts which aroſe in my Mind, as I went along, I hereby communicate to you, and through the Channel of your Paper, if you think proper, to the Publick.

The Struggles between Pompey and Cæſar for the univerſal Empire; the total Defeat of the former, one of the greateſt Generals that ever appeared in the World; the ignominious End of that great Man, by a few lawleſs Fiſhermen, together with the Manner and Place of his Interment; ſhows us the Vanity of human Greatneſs, and the Viciſſitudes attending every Condition and Character. No Man knows what he is born to; and when I read of the Changes and Exits of ſome that have made conſiderable Figures in the World, as Scholars, Hiſtorians, Stateſmen, Generals, and Divines, I do not wonder at any Thing I either have or may meet with in the rough Voyage through Life. God only knows what Events are to take Place in our Lives; where, when, and how, we are to quit the Stage of Action. To be fitted, therefore, for the whole Will of Heaven, is a happy, a Chriſtian Attainment.

The tragical End of Cæſar is truly affecting! I cannot ſee him in the Senate Houſe ſurrounded by Conſpirators and Aſſaſſins, and falling down at the Foot of Pompey's Statue, and there expiring, without a Tear. Alas! is this the End of great Atchievements! extenſive Power! victorious Arms! and worldly Honour! O cruel Caſſius! O barbarous and ungrateful Brutus, thus to reward thy generous, thy noble Friend! Did not the dying Look and the faultering Voice of Cæſar ſtab thee to the Heart, when he ſaid, *What! my Son Brutus, and thou too!* But Heaven, juſt Heaven, purſued and overtook theſe bloody Wretches, and brought them to a ſhameful and deſerved End.

Thoſe very Men who applauded the horrid Deed felt the Smart, and received the Reward of their impious Principles and Practices, under that tyrannical Triumvirate, compoſed of three bloody Men, Octavius, Anthony, and Lepidus; who divided the Empire of the World between them, as if it had been their paternal Inheritance.

The Roman Gentry once dreaded the growing Power, and uſurped Authority, of a Cæſar. Liberty and Property they apprehended were at Stake; their Freedom was about to be ſacrificed to the Humour and Ambition of an Individual, He muſt, therefore, be put to Death by deſperate Villains; but what became of Roman Liberty when Octavius aſcended the Imperial Seat? The Sons of *Liberty* became *Slaves*; and all they had became in a Manner the Property, and was at the Diſpoſal, of an artful Man.

The Steps by which Octavius aſcended the Throne, and the Meaſures he purſued to carry his Point, proved him to be a great Politician, and thoroughly acquainted with the Tempers and Conſtitution of Mankind, who are much eaſier led than driven.

Anthony betrayed aſtoniſhing Weakneſs throughout the Whole of his Conduct, after his firſt Interview with Cleopatra. She got the entire Poſſeſſion of his Heart, and led him about under the Influence of her ambitious Views, till he loſt his Character, his Hopes, and his Life; and now ſtands in the Annals of Antiquity as a ſad Inſtance of human Imbecillity, whilſt under the attractive Force of a proud deceitful Woman. Anthony was doubtleſs a fine General, and poſſeſſed great Abilities; he was capable of performing Wonders in the Cabinet, the Senate, and the Field. But in him we are taught, *that the greateſt of Men may fall into Diſgrace, Contempt, and Ruin, through the Pride and Luſt of their Heart.*

Hiſtory leads us into the Deſigns, Motives, Self Intereſt, Hypocriſy, and the very Hearts of Men. Every Individual, whilſt at the Head of an Empire, Kingdom, Society, or Party, pretends the *Good*, the *real Good*, of thoſe he governs. The Royal Plunderers in the North have this Colouring for all their Rapine, Bloodſhed, and Deſpotiſm. And when our Engliſh Nabobs cut off the poor Indians (who aſſerted the Rights of human Nature) by Millions, they pretended the *Good* of that vaſt Empire. But how eaſy is it to ſee that *Self* is the dear, the favourite *Idol*, which they are determined to aggrandiſe, and in whom all their *Views* and *Actions* centre.—*Curſed is Man that truſteth in Man, &c.*

Happy would it be for us if the Revolutions which take Place in Kingdoms, States, Societies, and Families, and if all the Changes and Weakneſſes, as well as Depravity and Wickedneſs, that appear in ourſelves and others, were to beget in us a Contempt of the World, a Diſtruſt of Man, proper Thoughts of ourſelves, and devout Apprehenſions of God and his Providence. When the Mind is ſuitably impreſſed with what we read of the unfathomable Ways of God towards the Sons of Men, we are filled with Trembling, Adoration, and Wonder.

QUEBEC, *September* 19.

ON Monday laſt the Honourable Hugh Finlay, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Council for this Province, and Surveyor General of the Poſt Roads in North America, ſet out from this City, attended by Mr. Launiere, an Indian Interpreter, and four Indians, with an Intention to ſteer a direct Courſe through the Woods, from Satigan, in this Province, to Fort Halifax in New England, in Order to aſcertain the inhabited Diſtance, and to eſtimate the Expenſe of opening a Poſt Road that Way, if it ſhould be found practicable; a Thing ſo long in Agitation, ſo much deſired, and that muſt be of ſuch mutual Advantage to both Provinces. He is afterwards to make a Tour to the Southward, to ſurvey the ſeveral Poſt Roads in the King's Dominions on the Continent.

NEW YORK, *September* 30.

Extract of a Letter from London, *July* 17.

"ALL our great Folks are diſperſed through their ſeveral Counties, or gone to Paris, the Spa, and other Countries, ſo that the Summer Vacation is already commenced. The Spaniards will have occaſion for a great Part of their Forces to defend their diſtant Territories, as you will find by the Newſpapers that the oppreſſed Chileſians have drove them out of almoſt every Town in that Province. The Czarina has relinquiſhed all her Share of Poland to her partitioning Confederates, in Lieu of a Guaranty from Auſtria and Pruſſia of all her Claims upon the Turks, as announced at the Treaties of Fockzani and Buchareſt; which will give her a free Communication with the Euxine, Archipelago, and Mediterranean Seas, beſides other immenſe Advantages to her People, and their commercial Intereſt. The Ottoman Territories in Europe are now very likely to be divided between this great Power and the Emperour of Germany, whoſe Forces, we have lately been told, by Perſons immediately arrived from his well appointed Army, have marched in Order to ſecond the Operations of Marſhal Romanzow, whoſe Troops have again beaten the Infidels, and taken the important Poſt of Siliſtria. Mr. Crabb Bolton, Chairman of the India Company, carried his Point in the India Houſe, a few Days ago, when it was determined that Tea ſhould be ſent to America; he was oppoſed, in very elegant and cogent Terms, by the Duke of Richmond, who is in the higheſt Eſteem in this City."

The principal Purſuer of Ford and King, Mr. Scott, who, on Account of his particular Attachment to one of the preſent unfortunate Perſons at Morris Town, was extremely intereſted in taking the firſt of theſe Men, is returned without being able to come up with them. The Perſons he had chaſed, in Expectation of their proving to be thoſe he went after, were two Indian Traders; all that he could learn from theſe was, that Richardſon of Philadelphia, and Thomas Budd, joined Ford and King a little beyond Juniata, from whence they all ſet out together, well armed, for the Miſſiſippi, ſo that there remain very little Hopes of their being ſecured.

Extract of a Letter from London *Auguſt* 10.

"The Duke of Richmond oppoſed the favourite Object of the India Directors, the Exportation of Tea, to your Continent; but though he did it in very elegant Terms, Mr. Boulton, the Chairman, was very much hurt at this Reſiſtance. However, the Queſtion was put and carried; yet the Diſcouragement they have ſince met with, from a general Refuſal of the Commanders in your Trade to take it on Board, has embarraſſed the whole Direction to ſuch a Degree that the ſending of this Article is ſtill very doubtful, although a Veſſel is getting ready to receive it for Boſton, New York, Philadelphia, and South Carolina. The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, alarmed at the Proſpect of meeting the Parliament in an ill Humour, begins to wiſh himſelf back again, in Old England, comfortably retired into the Seat of the Privy Seal, for which he has more than once expreſſed a Deſire of exchanging his preſent high Station.—The Eyes of all Europe are fixed upon the very critical Situation of the Ruſſian Army, which is now in Purſuit of the vanquiſhed Grand Viſtar, among thoſe Mountains which have hitherto proved inſuperable to all the Attempts of foreign Invaſion. How Mr. Romanzow's Detachments will acquit themſelves, in ſuch difficult Situations, it is impoſſible to conceive. He has loſt his right Hand Man, Weiſman, a Saxon; his Fate was exactly ſimilar to that of our glorious Countryman Keith, who fell fighting for the Houſe of Brandenburg at Hochkirchen. If the two Generals, Stupuchin and Potemkin, who are acting as Pioneers for Count Romonzow, on the other Side of the Danube, ſhould be able to paſs the Mountains, and eſtabliſh themſelves, without heavy Loſſes, in ſuch a Manner as may enable the Commander in Chief to bring up the main Body of the Army, the whole Affair will terminate in the Sultan's final Retreat to his Territories in Aſia, and an entire Abdication of his European Dominions to the Empreſs of the Muſcovites.

"An unuſual Plenty of Money is now daily diſſipating in the ſeveral Boroughs preparatory to a new general Election. Corruption has already increaſed the Idleneſs of the People, and a great Neglect of Manufacture ſucceeds both in the North and Weſt of England.—The Citizens of London ſeem determined to return Mr. Wilkes again, with their Favourite Mr. Bull; ſo that the popular Party will this Year have a Mayor, as well as both the Sheriffs, to their Liking."

Although it is poſitively aſſerted, in ſome Parts of New Jerſey, that Ford, Budd, and King, have made their Eſcape on Board a Veſſel bound to the Weſt Indies, there are few here that give Credit to it. The counterfeit Specie lately put off by them amongſt the Indians, on Suſquehannah, is an inconteſtible Proof of their Flight towards the Ohio, as they were exactly deſcribed to the Purſuers by the very Indians who had received the Bills in Payment from them.

October 11. We hear from Charleſtown, South Carolina, that Mr. Powell, Printer, has unfortunately fallen under the Diſpleaſure of the Honourable Houſe of Aſſembly, by printing in his Gazette, No. 1966, a Matter purporting to be Part of the Proceedings of the Houſe on the 26th of Auguſt, for which he was ordered to the Bar of the Houſe, where he declared that the Copy had been given him by the Honourable William Henry Drayton, Eſq; a Member of that Honourable Aſſembly. The Houſe ordered him into Cuſtody, from whence he was four Days afterwards admitted to Bail, on giving Security for his Appearance. The Honourable Mr. Drayton entered his Diſſent and Proteſt on the Occaſion.

The Eaſtern Papers inform us that there has been in New England, for upwards of two Months paſt, the moſt ſevere Drought that was ever known, ſo that the Wells were generally dried up, and many Families were obliged to go three or four Miles for Water, fodder their Cattle for Want of Graſs, and pound their Grain, &c. the Mills being all dry, and that they had the dreary Proſpect of a Famine; but that on Wedneſday the 29th of September they were providentially relieved, by plentiful refreſhing Showers.

Advices from North Carolina mention the like Drought there, and that in Auguſt laſt 500 Settlers arrived from Ireland.

PRINCETOWN, *September* 30.

ON Monday laſt, the 27th Inſtant, the GRAMMAR SCHOOL here was examined in Preſence of the Preſident and Officers of the College, and ſeveral other Gentlemen of Letters; when, after a full Trial of all the Claſſes, ſeven of the ſenior Claſs were approved, and admitted into the Freſhman Claſs. Judgment was paſſed upon all the other Claſſes, and Prizes diſtributed to the Victors in each. In the Evening, the Ladies and Gentlemen in the Neighbourhood, and Strangers who came to the Commencement, were entertained in the College Hall with three Orations, two in Latin, by DANIEL JENIFER, of Port Tobacco, in Maryland, and JAMES BAYARD, of Philadelphia; and one in Engliſh, by JOHN JORDAN, of Port Tobacco. All Members of the Claſs admitted into College.

The Day following was ſpent in a voluntary Competition among the under Graduates, for Prizes, on the following Subjects.

1. Reading Engliſh with Propriety and Grace, and anſwering a Variety of Queſtions (the ſame Queſtions being put to each Candidate) of Orthography, and on the Grammar and Conſtruction of the Language.
2. Reading Latin and Greek properly and juſtly, with a particular Attention to true Quantity.
3. Writing a Latin Verſion.
4. Speaking Latin.
5. Pronouncing Engliſh Orations: The Preference was determined by ſeven Gentlemen, choſen by the Preſident, for each Competition.

The Orations were pronounced in the Evening in the College Hall, in Preſence of a very crowded and polite Audience.

And in the Exerciſes of the next Day, at the annual Commencement for conferring Degrees, among the ſeveral young Gentlemen who diſtinguiſhed themſelves were HENRY LEE and CHARLES LEE of Virginia; the firſt of whom delivered an Oration on the *Liberal Arts*, and the other received the Premium for ſpeaking *Latin* with moſt Propriety, likewiſe one of the Prizes for pronouncing the beſt *Engliſh Orations*.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 6.

BY Captain Hawkins, from Barbados, we learn that on the 11th ult. about ſix o'Clock in the Evening, it came on to blow there, and continued all Night, in which ſeveral Veſſels parted their Cables, but received no other Damage.

Extract of a Letter from St Euſtatia, *September* 7.

"Laſt Friday Night the Wind ſhifted from E. by N. to S. S. E. and S. by E. and blew very freſh, with Rain. A Schooner belonging to Norfolk, Virginia, is drove aſhore, and it is imagined will not be got off again."

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 28.

MONDAY laſt being the Anniverſary of the Acceſſion of his preſent Majeſty, our moſt gratious Sovereign, to the Throne, in Honour thereof his Excellency the Governour gave a Ball and elegant Entertainment at the Palace, to a numerous and brilliant Company of Ladies and Gentlemen.

This Week arrived in Town the Reverend JOHN WOTHERSPOON, Preſident of the College at Princetown in the Jerſies.

The Molly, Younghuſband, from Liverpool, and the Bland, Captain Danby, from London, are arrived in James River.

[*Deaths.*] Captain WILLIAM ASHBURN, of the Ship Fly at Bermuda Hundred.

The Members of the Society lately inſtituted in Virginia *for the* Advancement *of* uſeful Knowledge *are deſired to meet in the* Capitol, *on* Wedneſday *the* 3*d of* November, *at four o'Clock in the Afternoon.*

As there are ſeveral Matters of Importance to be ſettled at this Meeting, it is hoped that every Member, who can make it convenient, will attend.

Advertiſements.

THE Subſcriber has a neat Aſſortment of EUROPEAN and INDIA GOODS for Sale, which he will lump off cheap for Caſh, Bills of Exchange, or Tobacco; and will give long Credit, if deſired, upon Bond with Intereſt, and approved Security. (5‖) G. MASON.

LESTER's FERRY, *October* 25, 1773.

THE Report that was ſpread, by ſome malicious Perſon, of my having the FLUX in my Family extremely bad, is a palpable Falſity. There are not, nor ever have been, the leaſt Grounds for ſuch a Report, not one of my Family ever having any Species of that Diſorder.——The Publick is hereby informed that my Boat is in good Order, having lately had a thorough Repair; and proper Attendance will be given, as uſual, by their much obliged humble Servant, (1‖) ROBERT LORTON.

GARDEN SEEDS.

A FRESH Aſſortment juſt imported, viz. EARLIEST PEASE, WINDSOR BEANS, CABBAGE SEEDS of ſundry Sorts, GARDEN CRESSES, WHITE MUSTARD, fine COLLIFLOWER SEED, WHITE and PURPLE BROCOLI, TURNIP SEED (of a very large Kind) with all the other ſmall Seeds commonly uſed in private Gardens, ROBERT NICOLSON.

For BRISTOL,

THE SNOW *Elizabeth*, *John Sampſon* Maſter, a fine new *Britiſh* built Veſſel, now lying at *Bull Hill*, on *Appamattox* River. She hath good Accommodations for Paſſengers, will take in 250 Hogſheads of Tobacco on Freight, with Liberty of Conſignment, and will be ready to ſail by the Middle of *December*.

For Freight or Paſſage apply to the Captain on Board, or to the Subſcriber in *Peterſburg*.

(2) EDWARD STABLER.

NORFOLK, *October* 20, 1773.

FOR CHARTER, to any Part of *Europe*, the SHIP *Sparling*, *William Prieſtman* Maſter, Burthen about 500 Hogſheads, or 12,000 Buſhels. For Terms apply to

(5) JOHN LAWRENCE, & Co.

Who have for Sale a Quantity of *Liverpool* SALT.

NEWCASTLE, *October* 21, 1773.

I INTEND to leave the Colony very ſoon.

(‖) JOHN THROAP.

FREDERICKSBURG, *October* 6, 1773.

I INTEND to leave the Colony ſoon.

PETER SCOTT.

WANTED,

A DISCREET WOMAN, to act in the Capacity of a Houſekeeper in a reſpectable Family; ſuch a Perſon, with a good Recommendation, may hear of a Place by applying to the Printer.

ALL Perſons indebted to *Charles Minnis*, deceaſed, of *York* County, are requeſted to make immediate Payment, as the Circumſtances of his Eſtate will admit of no Indulgence; and thoſe who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to make them known to

AUGUSTINE MOORE, Executor.

*** The HALF WAY HOUSE between *York* and *Hampton* to be let. For Terms inquire as above.

A Journeyman Tailor

who underſtands his Buſineſs, and can come well recommended, will have good Encouragement by applying immediately to me in *Cobham*.

(2‖) JAMES MOIR.

A YOUNG Man who can be well recommended as to his Sobriety and Diligence in Buſineſs, and properly qualified to tranſact the Buſineſs of a COUNTY COURT CLERK, in all its Branches, may hear of good Encouragement by applyiug to the PRINTER.

LANDED from on Board the *London*, Captain *Robertſon*, three Caſks of PIPES marked F with a Crow's Foot with Co at the Top & W Crow's Foot M, alſo a Box and a Caſk of GLASS marked S Crow's Foot N, No. 1 and 2, which are with Mr. *William Reynolds* in *York*. (‖)

HANOVER, *October* 25, 1773.

FOR SALE, a TRACT of LAND on the main Road, about three or four Miles above the Courthouſe, containing 164 Acres, on which is a good Dwellinghouſe with three Rooms, each having a Fire Place, and a Paſſage upon the Ground Floor, a large Room with a Fire Place, a ſmall Room, and Paſſage above Stairs, good Cellaring, good Dairy and Smokehouſe, Kitchen, Quarter, Barn, Stable, two Tobacco Houſes, and a very fine and convenient Spring. This Place is remarkable for its pleaſant and healthy Situation, ſtanding on a high Hill which commands a beautiful Proſpect of the fine Eſtates of *North* and *South Wales*. It is very convenient for a Merchant, Doctor, or a Gentleman to live at, or retire to during the ſickly Seaſon of the Fall; as it is not only free from thoſe Diſorders, but remarkable for recovering thoſe labouring under them.

Alſo another Tract of LAND containing 148 Acres, within three or 400 Yards of the above, being only parted by a narrow Gore of *South Wales*. There are upon the two Places about five or ſix Acres of very good Meadow. They may be entered on the firſt of *January*. One Half of the Purchaſe Money to be paid at the next Meeting of the Merchants, or perhaps at the *January* Meeting, the other as can be agreed on.

I ſhould be glad to treat with any Gentleman profeſſing Phyſick and Surgery for my Lots and Houſes in *Hanover* Town, with large Part of my Shop Utenſils and Medicines. Any ſuch may depend this Place is inferiour to few in the Colony for Practice. The Terms as above.

(‖) JOHN WALKER.

To be SOLD, *at the Meeting of the Merchants in* Williamſburg,

TWO FORTY HOGSHEADS FLATS, which have been running about eighteen Months; likewiſe five NEGRO MEN, who have been uſed chiefly to the Craſting Buſineſs. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on giving Bond and Security to

October 28, 1773. FRANCIS IRWIN, and the Executors of Mr. *John Smith*.

To be SOLD *on the Premiſes, publickly or privately, on* Thurſday *the* 11*th of* November, *being the Day after the Fair*,

THE LOT whereon *Hegg* and *Rowland* kept Store, on the Top of *Shocks* Hill. There is on it a new Storehouſe conveniently formed for the Retail or *Weſt India* Trade, has two Side Sheds, a Lodging Room, Counting Room, and one of the beſt Cellars in the Colony, alſo a Dwellinghouſe ſixteen Feet ſquare juſt finiſhed, which has a very good Room for a ſingle Man below, a good Lodging Room with a Fire Place above Stairs, a Cellar that will anſwer the Purpoſe of a Kitchen, a good Granary, and Stable entirely new. It is ſituated on the Country main Road, ſo that the Commodities brought to Town from above muſt come by the Store Door. The Situation is high and healthy, and commands one of the moſt beautiful Proſpects in the Colony. The Time of Payment will be made eaſy to the Purchaſer, and agreed on at the Day of Sale. ZACHARIAH ROWLAND.

RICHMOND, *October* 20, 1773.

TO SOLD at *Fredericksburg*, on *Wedneſday* the 10th of *November*, if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day, twenty likely *Virginia* born SLAVES. Credit will be allowed to the 1ſt of *May* 1774, the Purchaſers giving Bond and approved Security. The Bonds to bear Intereſt from the Date if not punctually paid. JOHN TALIAFERRO.

HANOVER Town, *October* 26, 1773.

RUN away from the Subscriber, about two Months ago, FOURTEEN NEW NEGROES, ten of whom were taken up in *King William*, and the remaining seven were lately seen near *West Point* in that County. I will give THREE POUNDS Reward for each of them, besides what the Law allows, to any Person who shall bring them to me. JOHN BURNLEY.

COMMITMED to *Cumberland* County Jail, *North Carolina*, the 1st of *August*, a likely Negro MAN, about 24 Years old, and near five Feet seven Inches high. He says he belongs to *Charles Smith* near the *Great Bridge*, *Norfolk* County, *Virginia*. The Owner is desired to pay Charges, and take him away.

(2) ALEXANDER M'ARTHUR.

BENEDICT Town *(Maryland) October* 11, 1773.

I HAVE received Letters from the Creditors of Messr. *Perkins* and *Brown*, of *London*, Merchants, Copartners with *Thomas Buchanan*, of this Province, Merchant, who have taken out a Commission of Bankrupcy against them, bearing Date the 4th of *August* last, by which I am desired to give publick and immediate Notice to all Persons indebted to the said *Perkins*, *Buchanan*, and *Brown*, not to pay any of their Debts, to any Person or Persons whatever, without the Order in Writing of the Assignees duly chosen under the said Commission, or their Attorney authorized for that Purpose, of which due Notice will hereafter be given; and for the farther Satisfaction of those who may be herein interested, I have inserted an Extract of Part of the said Letter underneath. JAMES FORBES.

Mr. JAMES FORBES,

SIR,

THIS possibly may not be the first Information you may have had of the Situation of the House of Messr. *Perkins*, *Buchanan*, and *Brown*; nor have we now Time to acquaint you with the whole State of their Affairs, the Packet being to be made up in a few Hours. Let it suffice, that many of the Creditors resolved upon, and have actually taken out, a Commission of Bankrupcy against *Perkins* and *Brown*, and make Choice of you for their Attorney in so important a Concern as we are certain this will prove; and they most earnestly solicit your Acceptance thereof, and by the next Opportunity you will be more powerfully armed and authorised by the Assignees under the Commission to execute this Business, for which you will be allowed the usual Commission. We here are of Opinion, and conclude, that the accompanying Notice be inserted in your Newspapers; and we are also advised it will be necessary to give the same Notice to all the Debtors mentioned in the enclosed List, and all Debtors with whom your Knowledge or Information may furnish you. Messr. *Barlow* and Company have got Possession of the Books, which prevented our sending you a particular List; but we have great Reason to believe that their Assignment will be set aside, not being duly executed by all the Partners. We understand there are also other extraordinary Assignments given by Mr. *Brown*, with which we apprehend no Person will be safe in complying, as the Validity of them will be also contested under the Commission of Bankrupcy which we have taken out against *Perkins* and *Brown*, as Partners with *Buchanan*.

We are yours, &c.

Signed by JOHN & THOMAS HARDY.
JONES & CLARKE.
PERKINS & RUSSELL.
JOHN PLATT.
MAUDUIT, WRIGHT, & Co.
DARBY & MORGAN.

FREDERICKSBURG, *October* 13, 1773.

THE Ship *Noble Bounty*, *John Dutchman* Master, now lying at *Hobb's Hole*, on *Rappahannock* River, will take in TOBACCO, upon Liberty of Consignment, to any Gentleman in *London*, at eight Pounds Sterling a Tun.

Those who choose to ship are desired immediately to leave their Notes, or Orders, with *James Mills*, Esquire, & Co. at *Urbanna*, the Captain on Board, or with *William Porter* in *Fredericksburg*, as the Ship will certainly fail by the Middle of next Month. (2)

THE Subscriber has just opened TAVERN in the Town of *Newcastle*, in the new House lately built by Mr. *Charles Tinsley* for that Purpose, and well adapted for the Business, having an extraordinary good Pasture very convenient to it. All who will favour him with their Custom may depend they shall be well accommodated, and great Care taken of their Horses.

(tf) DAVID CLARKE.

BLANDFORD, *October* 14, 1773.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform the Publick, that he has opened TAVERN in the Town of *Blandford*, opposite *Boyd's* Warehouses, where all who shall please to favour him with their Custom may depend upon the best of Entertainment, by their humble Servant,

(2) INSTANCE HALL.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform the Publick that he has got an extraordinary good PAINTER, who understands his Business as well as any Man in the Colony. He is a good Limner, Landscape Painter, &c. and an excellent Hand at painting all Sorts of Signs, Coats of Arms, and Ciphers on Carriages. He can paint any Kind of Pictures as well, and as much to the Life, as those imported from *England*. All those who want such Painting may depend on having it done in the best and most expeditious Manner, by applying to me in *Newcastle*.

(tf) CHARLES TINSLEY.

Journeymen Weavers

will meet with good Encouragement by applying to me, in *Norfolk*.

GARDNER FLEMING.

GERMAN Osnabrugs, And ROLLS,

ALSO A PARCEL OF WELL ASSORTED

SADDLES,

To be SOLD, at a very low Advance, by the Subscriber in *Manchester*,

JAMES LYLE.

NORFOLK, *October* 12, 1773.

The Subscribers have for SALE a Quantity of *LONDON* SINGLE REFINED SUGAR.

(2||) JOHN LAWRENCE, & Co.

FOR CHARTER, the SHIP *Neptune*, *Archibald White* Master, Burthen about 400 Hogsheads, or 10,000 Bushels. For Terms apply to the Subscribers. JOHN GREENWOOD.

(5||) JOHN LAWRENCE.

Just IMPORTED, *and* SELLING *by the Subscriber, at her Store opposite the* Raleigh, *a large Assortment of* MILLINERY *and* JEWELLERY, &c. *on the most reasonable Terms, namely,*

WHITE Satins and Lustrings, Satin Cloaks and Bonnets, *Dresden* Ruffles, Stomachers and Knots, *Italian* Flowers, Rolls and Curls, quilted Puddings, black and white Silk Aprons, Satin and Sarcenet quilted Petticoats, Patent Net Aprons and Hoods, Breast Flowers, Lawns and Cambricks, Silk Breeches Patterns, Ribands, a great Variety of *Didsbury* Shoes, white and coloured Silk Hose, Silk and Leather Gloves, Mens and Boys Hats, Silk Purses, Childrens Stays, Flannel under Waistcoats, under Stockings Nightcaps, Boys Hussar Caps and Feathers, Irish Garters, Wafers, Freemasons Sashes, Satin and Queen's Silk Shoes, Tambour Sword Knots, Table Crosses and Salts, Paste Stay Hooks, bordered Cambrick and India Silk Pocket Handkerchiefs, Buck, Woodstock, Silk, and other Gloves, Trimmings of all Sorts, Gauze, Catguts, Blond and Thread Laces, Thread and Cotton Hose, Christening Baskets, Childrens Shoes and Stockings, white and other Fans.

Paste and Bead Necklaces and Earrings; Gold Wires; Stone, Silver, London gilt, and black and blue Shoe and Knee Buckles; Gold, Paste, Silver, and black Stock Buckles; Combs, Lockets, Paste and Garnet Sprigs and Pins, Soup Ladles, Salt Shovels, Knives, Scissors, Steel Watch Chains, Pocket Books with Tweezer Cases, Toothpick Cases and Brushes, Decanter Corks with Labels, Corals and Bells, Shoe Clasps for Children, black Pins, Sword Canes, Riding Hats and Feathers, *Pugh's* famous Eye Water for weak or sore Eyes, Snuff Boxes, Shaving Boxes, Sewing Silks, &c. &c. with a Number of other Articles too tedious to insert. C. RATHELL.

FOR SALE, a TRACT of LAND in *Frederick*, containing, from an accurate Survey lately made, 800 Acres, upon which are convenient good Buildings, and Outhouses for twelve or fifteen Negroes. There are eleven Acres in choice Timothy Meadow, twenty Acres in exceeding fine Pasture well set with Timothy, both expected to be in their Prime next Year; sixty Acres of rich high Ground sown in Wheat this Fall, well fenced in; and about forty or fifty Acres cleared for a Crop of Corn next Summer. It is situated in the most convenient Part of the Country, being only six Miles from *Shenando*, and ten from *Winchester*, and is convenient to Church, Mill, and Blacksmith's Shop. It joins Mr. *Thruston's* Estate, and is inferiour to no Land in that Neighbourhood. For Terms apply to Mr. *Francis Willis*, Junior, at *Belvoir*, in *Fairfax*, or to the Printers of this Paper.

TO be SOLD to the highest Bidder, the 29th of *November* (being Court Day) at *Bedford* Courthouse, 1846 ACRES of LAND lying upon *Falling* River. The Terms will be ageeed on at the Day of Sale, by

JOHN T. BICKERTON.

Pursuant to an Act of Assembly, which has obtained the Royal Assent, will be SOLD *on the Premises, to the highest Bidder, at twelve Months Credit, on* Friday *the 29th Instant* (October)

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND in *King* and *Queen*, situated in the Fork of *Timber* Branch and the *Dragon* Swamp, and about eight Miles from *Turner's* Warehouse, containing, by an old Survey, 1084 Acres, 5 or 600 of which are fine low Grounds suitable for the Growth of Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, or other Grain, and Part of it is well adapted for Meadow, being cleared and now in excellent Grass, and a larger Quantity of the same Kind of Land might be got for that Purpose. It is in fine Order for Cropping, has about one Half cleared, and on the other Half is Plenty of Oak, Cypress, Ash, and other Timber. It is now the Property of *William Todd*, and Possession will be given the 1st of *January*. Any Person inclined to purchase may be shown the Land by applying to Mr. *John Gardner*, who lives near the Premises. Bond and Security will be required, by

GEORGE BROOKE,
GREGORY BAYLOR,
WILLIAM LYNE,
JOHN TAYLOE CORBIN,
RICHARD TUNSTALL, Junior. } Trustees.

N. B. The aforesaid Plantation will be sold altogether, or laid off in Parcels.

On the 3d *of* November *(being* Charles City *Court Day) will be exposed to* SALE,

TWO HUNDRED ACRES of LAND, whereon the said Courthouse stands. There are upon the Land a very commodious Dwellinghouse now occupied as an Ordinary, and all convenient Outhouses. It may be entered upon next *New Year's* Day. One Third of the Purchase Money to be paid the 1st of *January* 1774, one Third in *October* following, and the Remainder in *October* 1775.

Also a MERCHANT MILL, with eight Acres of Land, and a Stream sufficient to carry two Pair of Stones even in the greatest Drought. It will be delivered up immediately. Bond and Security will be required.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Elizabeth City*, some Time in *June* last, a likely *Virginia* born Negro Wench named RACHEL, near thirty Years old, about five Feet one or two Inches high, has large Eyes, and the End of one of her fore Fingers broke; she had on a blue Jacket, and an old Cotton Petticoat. I expect she is about *Norfolk*, or got on Board some Vessel, and gone up *James* River. Whoever takes up said Negro, and conveys her to me, or confines her in any Jail, so that I get her again, shall have THIRTY SHILLINGS Reward.

LOCKEY COLLIER.

RUN away from *Eaton Hill*, in *Gloucester* County, on *Monday* the 4th Instant *(October)* a very likely Mulatto Fellow named JAMES, about five Feet seven Inches high, and has very long Wool, which he combs high before. Whoever takes him up, so that I get him again, shall be handsomely rewarded for his Trouble.

(2||) AGATHA RANDOLPH.

N. B. All Masters of Vessels are forewarned from carrying him out of the Country.

COMMITTED to *King* and *Queen* Jail, a Negro Man, who says his Name is *Shadrach*, but is sometimes called *Cæsar* and *Abraham*, has run away more than twelve Months, and belongs to Major *Ephraim King*, on the *Eastern Shore*, in *Somerset* County, *Maryland*. He is very likely, appears to be about twenty Years old, and five Feet ten Inches high. His Owner is desired to take him away, and pay Charges.

CHRISTOPHER HARWOOD, Jailer.

TAKEN up, in *Botetourt*, a BRIGHT BAY MARE about four Years old, about thirteen Hands and a Half high, with a small Star in her Forehead, is a Trotter, had a Bell on, and branded on the near Buttock ℨ S. Posted, and appraised to 5 l. 10 s.

(||) THOMAS RATCLIFFE.

TAKEN up, in *Botetourt*, a BAY MARE about six Years old, twelve Hands high, has a Wart growing on her Nostril, had on a Bell, and branded on the near Buttock I T. Posted, and appraised to 45 s.

(||) WILLIAM M'CLURE.

TAKEN up, in *Accomack*, a THREE YEAR OLD STEER, of a dark red Colour, marked in the right Ear with a Crop and Slit, and a Crop and two Slits in the left. Posted, and appraised to 50 s.

(||) CHARLES LEATHERBURY.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a GRAY MARE about two or three Years old, twelve Hands and three Quarters high. Posted, and appraised to 5 l. JOHN WINN.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a SORREL MARE about thirteen Hands and a Half high, flaxen Mane and Tail, branded on the near Shoulder R, and on the Buttock an obscure Brand. Posted, and appraised to 10 l. SAMUEL SHERWIN.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 7, 1773.

ALL Persons indebted to the Partnership of Purdie & Dixon *are hereby requested to make immediate Payment, as every Account which remains unsettled after the ensuing Court will be put into the Hands of an Attorney.*——— Mr. William Russell *will collect the Debts due to the said Partnership in* York *and* James City *Counties.*

PURDIE & DIXON.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a DARK BAY MARE thirteen Hands and three Quarters high, had on a Bell, and branded on the near Shoulder P q and on the near Buttock MM in a Piece. Posted, and appraised to 10 l.
R

GIDEON WINFREE.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a SORREL HORSE about four Feet seven Inches high, ten Years old, a Blaze Face, his off hind Foot white, branded on the near Shoulder ℨ, and on the near Buttock ℨ. Posted, and appraised to 10 l.
C

JOHN NORRIS, Junior.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 13, 1773.

BY the DEATH of two of our principal PARTNERS, it is become absolutely necessary that all ACCOUNTS should be IMMEDIATELY SETTLED. We must therefore desire every Person indebted, whether by BILLS, BONDS, or OPEN ACCOUNTS of twelve Months standing, to discharge their respective Balances without Loss of Time, as no farther Indulgence can be given. The Trade will be carried on to its usual Extent, and we do not mean by this Advertisement to press such of our good Customers as have been punctual in their Dealings with their obliged humble Servants,

JOHN PRENTIS, & Co.

Just IMPORTED, *and to be* SOLD,

By M. HUNTER, *in* WILLIAMSBURG,

A GENTEEL Assortment of MILLINERY and other GOODS, consisting of Suits of Blond, Blond Caps, fancied enamelled Stomachers, *Italian* Ditto, *Bath*, *Brussels*, Minionet, and Blond Laces and Edgings, black Laces and Edgings, Silver Blond, Coxcomb Ditto, a Variety of plain and flowered Ribands, white Lustrings, flowered and plain Patent Net, a rich black Patent Net Apron, Patent Net Hoods, Book Muslin Yard and Yard and a Half wide, flowered Ditto, striped and flowered Muslin Yard and Yard and a Half wide, thick Ditto; black, blue, and white Satin for Cloaks; black, blue, and white Persian Ditto; black Mode, white Sarcenet, Suits of *Dresden* Work, Suits of Childbed Linen, Baskets, Pincushions, Lines, Robes, Cradle Quilts, Paste Necklaces and Earrings, Sprigs and Pins Ditto, Lockets set with Garnets, plain Ditto, Gold and Silver Lockets for Necklaces, Paste and Marcasite Crosses, Foil Stone Ditto, Wax Necklaces and Earrings, Paste and plain Tortoise Shell and Horn Combs, Silver Corals, Paste Buckles, mock and real Garnets; Wax, Coral, and Agate Beads; Ladies Riding Hats, Childrens Beaver Hats, black and blue Satin Caps, quilted Puddings for Children, white and coloured Bone and Ivory Stick Fans, Filagree Toothpick Cases, Silver and Tortoise Shell inlaid with Silver Ditto, white and brown Thread Stockings, ribbed Ditto, Ladies and Gentlemens white Silk Stockings, coloured Ditto, *Gresham's* Ladies Calimanco Shoes, green and purple Ditto, Ladies black and white Silk Gloves, white and coloured Kid and Lamb Ditto, Mens white Silk Gloves, Wash Leather Ditto; blue, Pink, and white Satin Coats; blue, Pink, white Satin, and Queen's Silk Shoes; Tortoise Shell and Glass Smelling Bottles, Gentlemens and Ladies Pocket Books, Rings, Silver Thimbles, *Italian* Breast Flowers, small Ditto, Models of Lord *Botetourt*, Hyson and Bohea Teas, Chip Hats, Cane Ditto, Bonnets, Stuff Petticoats, spotted Gauzes, Aprons Ditto, Calicoes and Cottons, Babies of all Prices, a Variety of Toys, green Silk Purses, *India* Fans, black Pins, Snuff Boxes, *Strasburg* and *Weston's* Snuffs, Coal Seals, Cottons, Threads, and Tapes.

KING & QUEEN, *October* 10, 1773.

THE Subscriber, from several Years Experience of the very bad Management of Overseers, together with his own Want of a proper Knowledge in the Business of either the Farmer or Planter, though in Possession of Lands extremely well calculated for raising Wheat, Tobacco, or *Indian* Corn, has come to the Resolution to offer for SALE the following TRACTS of LAND, all of which may be entered upon at *Christmas*, namely,

That beautiful Seat and Plantation on *Mattapony* River, in *King* and *Queen*, whereon *John Robinson*, Esquire (late Treasurer) lived, containing 1381 Acres of high Land, and about 650 Acres of very valuable Marsh, also a very good geared Water Grist Mill in proper Repair, the Toll of which maintains near sixty in Family, besides several Horses, stands within 100 Yards of the River, and, at a small Expense, may be constructed into a very convenient Merchant Mill. The Improvements on this Seat, I am credibly informed, cost better than 5000 *l.* and in Point of Convenience, Taste, or Situation, is exceeded but by very few in the Colony, and so well known that a particular Description is unnecessary. The Marsh is remarkably rich and high, and the Subscriber, intending to reclaim the Whole, has already done a considerable Length of very substantial Bank; a good Quantity of inland Marsh has been for some Time laid dry and in Meadow, and, from the Trial made, he is well satisfied it is practicable, at a much less Expense than is generally thought to attend Works of that Nature.

A Tract of very valuable Land in *King William*, formerly the Property of Colonel *Bernard Moore*, and known by the Name of *Waromanske*, containing 1780 Acres, and running near three Miles on *Pamunkey* River; the Soil is remarkably good for Wheat, Tobacco, or Corn, and is generally allowed to be as valuable and convenient a Plantation, for the Number of Acres, as any in the lower Parts of the Country. There are on this Tract a Dwellinghouse seventy Feet long and twenty wide, in which Colonel *Moore* formerly lived, with many good and convenient Outhouses, and very fine Peach Orchards. There also is, belonging to and adjoining this Land, a good Water Mill lately rebuilt on a fine and constant Stream sufficient to carry two Pair of Stones in the driest Times, situated between the Branches of *York* River, not above a Mile from either, and is capable of being easily made a very valuable Merchant Mill, *Mattapony* being navigable up to it. When the late Speaker's Administrators advertised some Part of this Tract, in two Parcels, they say of the lower Part, containing 586 Acres, "It abounds with such a Quantity of White Oak, that it is thought 1000 *l.* Worth of Plank and Timber may be got off it." See the Gazettes, *May* 10, 1770.

Another Tract on *Roanoke*, in *Mecklenburg*, *Virginia*, known by the Name of *Black's Ferry*, 65 Miles from *Petersburg*, about 250 Acres of which are very rich low Grounds well adapted for raising good Tobacco, a fine natural Meadow, and good Range for all Sorts of Stock. There is, at this Place, a publick Ferry established by Act of Assembly, already very profitable, and promises to be as much so as any on the River, being thought the nearest, from *Appamattox*, to the large Tobacco Settlements in *Bute* County, and other Places in *North Carolina*.

On the two first Plantations there are and will be put in the Ground 250 Bushels of Wheat, and as the Mills do more than maintain all the Hands and Horses necessary to be kept on these Plantations, all the Corn made thereon will be always for Market. There are large Stocks of all Sorts at all the three Places, which the Purchasers may have, with Corn, Fodder, Hay, and most Sorts of Plantation Utensils. The Terms of Sale are, one Eighth of the Consideration Money next *Christmas*, when Deeds are passed and Possession given, another Eighth the *April* Term following, and the remaining three Fourths to be paid in three annual Payment, without Interest, upon Bond and Security being given to

WILLIAM BLACK.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 14, 1773.

I INTEND to leave the Colony in a few Weeks. PATRICK BEECH.

GERMAN OSNABRUGS,

JUST IMPORTED in the *Royal Exchange*, Captain *Woodford*, extremely well assorted, and bought upon the best Terms, to be SOLD WHOLESALE ONLY. Any Person, disposed to purchase, may know the Terms by applying to RICHARD HANSON.

PETERSBURG, *October* 6, 1773.

POETS CORNER.

HOPE.

ALL the Splendour which Wealth can display
Is ſo vain that it quickly muſt cloy;
Like a Bubble, it ſoon melts away,
If HOPE does not heighten the Joy.
Sweet Paſſion! without thee the Soul
In the Midſt of Fruition would tire;
Into Times yet unborn thou canſt roll,
And expand on the Wings of Deſire.
It was HOPE that firſt planted my Vine,
And its Cluſters luxuriouſly ſpread,
Rear'd my Fig Tree, whoſe Branches entwine,
And ſo gratefully ſhadow my Head.
HOPE comforts the Mourner's ſad State,
Soothes the Wretch who is ſtruggling with Pain,
Bids the Captive ſupport his hard Fate,
And to Home turns his Eyes back again.
Bright Charmer! ah! live in my Breaſt,
Round my Temples thy Garland ſtill bind;
Thou ſhalt calm all my Sorrows to Reſt,
And cheer with thy Sunſhine my Mind.

To be SOLD on THURSDAY the 4th of NOVEMBER next, before the RALEIGH Tavern, to the higheſt Bidder.

THE exceeding fine Plantation and TRACT of LAND in Cheſterfield *County, at the Falls of* James *River, belonging to the Subſcriber, which contains upwards of* 2000 *Acres, and, on Account of its Richneſs and Situation, is deſervedly eſteemed the moſt valuable in the Colony, nay equal to any in* America. *It is in good Order for Cropping; and about* 250 *Acres will be ſowed in Wheat this Fall, from which may be expected to be reaped at leaſt* 5000 *Buſhels. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving Bond and approved Security to*

(11) WILLIAM BYRD, and his Truſtees.

Juſt IMPORTED, *in the lateſt Veſſels from* London, *and* SELLING *by the Subſcriber, next Door above the* Coffee Houſe, *for ready Money,*

A GENTEEL and very elegant Aſſortment of JEWELLERY and MILLINERY, *&c.* conſiſting of fine Blond Hoods, *Italian* and Lace Ruffs, Fancy Caps, Egrets, Breaſt Flowers, Fillets, Lace and Gauze Caps, *&c.* handſome Agate Necklaces and Earrings ſet with Marcaſites, Paſte Ditto, French Wax Bows and Solitaires, Wax Pearl, real Garnets, Jet Ditto, Velvet Collars, Paſte Pins of various Kinds, Sprigs ſuitable to all, which are beautifully ſet, Paſte and plain Combs, ſet Shoe Buckles; Garnet, Marcaſite, Paſte, and plain Gold Lockets and Croſſes; *Italian* and Blond Lace; Fancy, and Silver Stomachers; Ribands, Fans, Bobbins, Tapes; Gentlemens and Ladies Silk, and other Gloves; *Greſham's* Pumps, Sewing Silk, Cotton Thread, Book Muſlin, thick Ditto, Cambricks, Lawns, Gauzes, black and white Barcenets, caſting Handkerchiefs and *Tarſas*, Lawn, Muſlin Pocket, and Gauze Ditto, worked Book Muſlin Aprons, Lawn and black flounced Ditto, Gauze Shades, Boys Satin Caps with Feathers, Hats, Bonnets, Cloaks, Ladies faſhionable Riding Hats, with black, blue, and white Oſtrich Feathers for them, and Gloves ſuitable; complete Suits of Gauze, and Blond Lace; Gentlemens Lace Ruffles, Minionet and Blond Laces; rich white, flowered, ſtriped, and plain Luſtrings; plain, and ſtriped Taffetas; Perſians, black Mode, Chintzes, Calicoes, Gentlemens Bags and Roſes; Silk, Cotton, Thread, and Worſted Hoſe; Morocco, and Silk Pocket Books, with or without Inſtruments; Tortoiſe Shell, and other Sorts of Memorandum Books; Waſhballs, undreſſed Dolls, Childrens Tea Sets; Silk, and fine black Ruſſel Quilts; very fine Bombaſin, and Crape. Alſo a Variety of other Things too tedious to inſert.

I have on Hand a ſmall Aſſortment of CLOTHS, and proper TRIMMINGS, which I would ſell Wholeſale on low Terms, for Caſh or ſhort Credit.——I take this Opportunity to return Thanks to thoſe Gentlemen and Ladies who have favoured me with their Cuſtom, and to aſſure them they ſhall be ſerved upon the moſt reaſonable Terms by their much obliged humble Servant, MARY DICKENSON.

Purſuant to the Will of Mr John Smith, *deceaſed, will be* SOLD, *on* Friday *the* 3*d of* December, *at his late Plantation in* King William,

A VALUABLE Stock of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, a large Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

And on *Tueſday*, the 7th of the ſame Month, will be SOLD, upon the Premiſes, a very valuable TRACT of LAND known by the Name of *Pickmocky*, lying in *Henrico*, ſituated on the *Broad* Swamp, about four Miles from *Richmond*, and contains, by an old Survey, 200 Acres, 100 of which are very rich well timbered low Grounds drained by an extraordinary Piece of Dam Work, and the Place is in good Order for Cropping, having a ſufficient Quantity of Wheat now ſowed upon it. Likewiſe all Kinds of Stock, together with the Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

And on *Tueſday* the 21ſt of *December* will be SOLD, on the Premiſes, a TRACT of rich and well timbered LAND containing above 2000 Acres, and lies in *Goochland*, on *James* River, near the Mouth of the *Great Bird*, and oppoſite *Elk* Iſland. There is upon this Land a Plantation ſufficient to work fifteen Hands, and the Soil is very ſuitable for Tobacco, Wheat, and Corn. For the Convenience of Purchaſers it will be divided into ſeveral Lots, before the Day of Sale.——At the ſame Time and Place will be SOLD 91 valuable SLAVES, fifteen of whom belong to the Eſtate of Mr. *Joſeph Smith*, deceaſed, likewiſe a large Stock of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, with the Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

One Half of the Purchaſe Money for the Lands to be paid the 1ſt of *May*, and the Balance twelve Months after that Time. Credit for the Slaves, Stocks, *&c.* will be allowed till the 1ſt of *July*, the Purchaſer giving Bond and Security, which is to carry Intereſt from the Date, if not punctually paid.

(10) WILLIAM ANDERSON, Executor of *John Smith*, And Adminiſtrator of *Joſeph Smith*.

N. B. If it ſhould rain on any of the above mentioned Days, the Publick may depend the Sale will be the next fair Day.

NORFOLK, *October* 9, 1773.

THE Subſcriber intends to remove ſhortly out of this Colony. All Perſons indebted to him are requeſted to come and ſettle their Accounts, and ſuch as have any Demands againſt him to ſend in theirs for Payment. F. A. DOEBER.

N. B. A Quantity of DRY GOODS to be ſold, Wholeſale or Retail, at a low Advance.

For SALE,

THE commodious and well ſituated HOUSE and STORE on the main Street in *Williamſburg*, formerly the Property of Meſſ. *Tarpley* and *Thompſon*, and at preſent occupied by Mr. *James Hubard*. For Terms inquire of the Printer, or of the Subſcriber in *York* Town.

RICHARD BROWN.

To be SOLD, *and entered upon immediately,*

A TRACT of LAND containing 1300 Acres, more or leſs, on *Planketank* River, in *Glouceſter* County. It is needleſs to be particular about it, as it is the ſame I advertiſed laſt Year, and then gave a full Deſcription of it. Since then I ſold it to *John Attaway*, Clerk of *Maryland*; but as he refuſes to take it, Neceſſity obliges me to offer it once more to the Publick. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the Terms by applying to me in *Middleſex*. I want Part of the Money at the Meeting of the Merchants, and reaſonable Credit will be allowed for the Remainder. AUGUSTINE SMITH.

TAKEN up, in *Mecklenburg*, a DAPPLE GRAY MARE three or four Years old, four Feet five Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, no Brand perceivable, a natural Pacer, but not broke. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6 l.

(‖) JAMES TUCKER, Senior.

TAKEN up, in *Cumberland*, a BAY MARE four Feet ſix Inches high, about eight Years old, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, ſeveral Saddle Spots on each Side of her Withers, both hind Feet white, the left above the Footlock behind, a natural Pacer, and branded on the near Shoulder H G. Poſted, and appraiſed to 8 l

FRANCIS MARSHALL.

TAKEN up, in *Botetourt*, a PIED COW marked with a Crop in the left Ear, and a Hole in both, the Tops of her Horns ſawed off. Poſted, and appraiſed to 2 l. 5 s.

(‖) FRANCIS M'ELHINEY.

To be SOLD *at* Smithfield, *purſuant to an Act of Aſſembly, on* Thurſday *the* 4*th of* November,

ABOUT 300 Acres of well timbered level LAND in *Iſle of Wight* County, belonging to Mr. *James Burwell*. It is laid off into eleven Lots, lies within eleven Miles of *Smithfield*, five of a large Merchant Mill, and exceeding fine Oyſters and Fiſh are to be had within three. Any Perſon, who has Thoughts of purchaſing, may know the Terms by applying to Mr. *James Burwell*, in *York* County.

LEWIS BURWELL.
DUDLEY DIGGES.
THOMAS NELSON, Junior.
NATHANIEL BURWELL.

(4)

WOOLLENS.

JUST IMPORTED in the *Kingſton Packet*, *Joſeph Turner* Maſter, a few Bales of WOOLLENS, conſiſting of low priced BROADCLOTHS, DUFFILS, FRIEZES, with ſuitable Trimmings; a few Bales of DUTCH BLANKETS, alſo a Quantity of SEINE TWINE; which I will ſell on reaſonable Terms, for ready Money or ſhort Credit.

(tf) JOSHUA STORRS.

NORFOLK, *September* 28, 1773.

WE have lately imported a Quantity of EUROPEAN GOODS, in ſmall aſſorted Packages, which we will ſell at a low Advance, for Caſh or ſhort Credit; namely, KENDAL COTTONS, SADDLERY, IRISH LINENS, OSNABRUGS, low priced HATS, CHECKS, ſtamped COTTONS, SUITS of CLOTHES with TRIMMINGS, RUSSIA LINEN, DUFFILS, *&c.* We have alſo for Sale, a Quantity of *Cadiz* and *Lamaca* SALT, GINGER, PIMENTA, and choice *Liſbon* WINE in Quarter Caſks.

(tf) GREENWOOD, RITSON, & MARSH.

To be SOLD *on the Premiſes, the* 15*th of* December,

A VALUABLE Tract of TOBACCO LAND, in *Albemarle* County, containing about 2300 Acres Part of it excellent low Ground, through which runs *Buck Mountain* Creek. There are upon it an Overſeer's Houſe, a new Tobacco Houſe, and Apple and Peach Orchards. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe the Whole, or any Part thereof, may know the Terms on the Day of Sale, which will be advantageous, as long Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving Bond and approved Security

At the ſame Time and Place will alſo be ſold the Stock of CATTLE, HOGS, HORSES, CORN, FODDER, PLANTATION UTENSILS, *&c.* Twelve Months Credit will be allowed for all Sums above 25 Shillings.

JOHN GARLICK.
(8) SAMUEL GARLICK.

To be SOLD, *and entered upon the* 1*ſt of* January,

A TRACT of LAND on *Dan* River, *Halifax* County, containing 1758 Acres There is a conſiderable Quantity of rich low Grounds ſuitable for Tobacco and Grain, good new Houſes and Barns, and many Conveniencies needleſs to deſcribe, as it is preſumed no Perſon will purchaſe without viewing the Premiſes. Should the Purchaſers agree to divide the Land, it will be agreeable to the Seller The Time of Payment will be made eaſy. For Terms apply to Mr *Job Baird*, in *Prince George*, to whom Bond and Security is to be given, or to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſes, who will ſhow them. Mrs. *Perrin's* Dower is laid on this Land. (6) WILLIAM WADE.

N. B. All Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of *Hampton Wade*, deceaſed, need not expect any longer Indulgence.

TO be SOLD to the higheſt Bidder, on *Wedneſday* the 11th of *November*, at *Albemarle* Courthouſe, 23 likely VIRGINIA born NEGROES. Credit will be allowed to the 1ſt of *October* 1774, on giving Bond and Security, to carry Intereſt from the Date if not punctually paid.

(6) GEORGE MERIWETHER.

FOR SALE, and to be entered on at *Chriſtmas*, the LANDS that were the Property of the late Mr. *Joſeph Morton*, in *James City* County, on *Chickahominy* River. For Terms apply to Mr. *James Hubard*, in *Williamſburg*, or to the Subſcriber, in *Weſtmoreland*. (tf) DANIEL M'CARTEY.

For SALE,

THE three following TENEMENTS in the City of *Williamſburg*, which formerly belonged to the Honourable *Philip Ludwell*, and are now held by *William Lee*, Eſquire, of the City of *London*, in Right of his Lady; namely, the large wooden Houſe, on the *Back* Street, next Door but one to Mr. Speaker's; the Brick Houſe on the *Main* Street, where Mrs. *Rind* lives; and the Houſe called the *Blue Bell*, below the Capitol, oppoſite to the Playhouſe, and in which Mr. *Brammer* formerly lived, together with all the Lots and their Appurtenances. The Terms may be known of the Subſcribers. If theſe Tenements ſhould not, in the mean Time, be diſpoſed of, they will be offered at publick Sale, before Mr. *Southall's* Door, on *Friday* the 29th of *October*, at four o'Clock in the Afternoon.

RICHARD HENRY LEE.
FRANCIS L. LEE.
(5) RO: C. NICHOLAS.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Thurſday *the* 4*th of* November, *before the* Raleigh *Tavern, in* Williamſburg,

A TRACT of LAND on *Chickahominy* River, in *James City* County, containing upwards of 650 Acres, juſt above *Barrett's* Ferry, and about twelve Miles from *Williamſburg*. It is good for Grain or Tobacco, a fine Place for Stock, Fiſhing, and Fowling. Wheat will be taken in Part of Payment; and ſix Months Credit will be allowed for one Half the Purchaſe Money, and twelve Months for the Remainder.

(6) GOODRICH BOUSH.

For SALE, *ſundry Tracts of* LAND, *in* Orange *County,* North Carolina, *namely,*

FIVE Hundred and thirteen Acres on *Dan* River, formerly the Property of *George Lumpkins*, has on it convenient Houſes, good Orchards, and a good Quantity of fine low Grounds.

147 Acres on *Hagan's* Creek, on which is a remarkable good Seat for a Mill, and is convenient to the above Tract.

320 Acres on *Mill* Creek, which formerly belonged to *Abraham Miles*, has on it ſome Improvements, and is good Land for Hemp or Tobacco.

270 Acres on *North Hico* River, which alſo belonged to *Abraham Miles*, and is exceeding good Land.

Alſo one Tract of Land in this Colony of 25 Acres, being an Iſland in *Dan* River, *Pittſylvania* County, which is ſaid to be the beſt Fiſhing Place on that River.

The above Lands are about 140 Miles from the Falls of *Appamattox*. For a more particular Deſcription of them any Perſon, inclining to purchaſe, may be informed by applying to Mr. *Roger Atkinſon*, or Mr. *John Jones*, at *Peterſburg*. I ſhall be in *Williamſburg* at the *November* Meeting, and will there let ſuch as want to buy know the Price for the Whole, or any ſeparate Parcel, and allow a reaſonable Credit. Bond, with approved Security, will be required at the Time Deeds are executed.

(9) CHARLES YATES,
Attorney in Fact for the Aſſignees of *Younger, Wilkinſon, & Co.*

FREDERICKSBURG, *September* 15, 1773.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 10, 1773.

COMMITTED to the publick Jail, from *Cumberland*, a Runaway Negro Man called TOM, five Feet ten Inches high, remarkably black, his Face much ſcarified with his Country Marks, both Ears bored, his right with four Holes and his left five, appears to be upwards of forty Years old, and cannot ſpeak to be underſtood, had on a Crocus Shirt and Trouſers. His Owner is deſired to take him away and pay Charges.

(12) PETER PELHAM.

TO BE SOLD,

FIVE Hundred and fifty Acres of LAND in the County of *Charles City*, with a convenient Dwellinghouſe and other Improvements.

Two Hundred and twenty Acres, in the ſame County, pleaſantly ſituated on *James* River.

Two Thouſand five Hundred and twenty Acres in the County of *Cumberland*, commonly known by the Name of *Saint James's*.

And one Thouſand four Hundred and twenty one Acres in the Counties of *Goochland* and *Cumberland*, on both Sides of *James* River, oppoſite to *Elk* Iſland.

The above TRACTS of LAND were of the Eſtate of the late *John Wayles*, deceaſed, diviſed to the Subſcribers, and are now offered for Sale. Perſons diſpoſed to purchaſe may be informed of the Terms, on Application to any one of the Subſcribers; and the Times of Payment will be made eaſy, on giving Bond and Security to

THOMAS JEFFERSON.
(tf) FRANCIS EPPES.
HENRY SKIPWITH.

WOOLLENS.

THE Subſcriber has now upon Hand ſeveral Bales of coarſe Woollens properly aſſorted for a Store, from 60 to 80 *l.* Sterling Value, alſo a large Quantity of COARSE CLOTHS and TRIMMINGS, in ſmall Bales, from 3 *s.* 6 *d.* to 12 *s.* Sterling a Yard, which he intends ſelling by the Bale, or retailing by the Piece He expects more coarſe Woollens, of all Sorts, in very ſoon. He ſells at a low Advance, for Caſh or ſhort Credit. Any Perſon applying to him, at Mr. *John Woodſide's* in *Norfolk*, or at the General Courts, may depend on being ſerved to Satisfaction. (tf) JOHN STONEY.

For SALE, *immediately, altogether, or to any Number of Perſons that will agree on a Diviſion among themſelves,*

TWELVE HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND, in *Suſſex*, one Mile below the Courthouſe, and joining *Nottoway* River for about a Mile, which affords Plenty of Fiſh, and makes near 100 Acres of low Ground well ſtocked with Cypreſs and other Timber; in the Banks are Plenty of Shells very good for Lime. Great Part of the high Land is rich, on which there is a pretty Situation for a Houſe, and ſufficient cleared for ten or twelve Hands to cultivate Grain on. Mr. *Clements*, Mr. *Hamner*, or Mr. *Balfour*, will ſhow the Lands; and for Terms apply to *David Roſs*, Eſquire, Merchant at *Peterſburg*.

(tf) J. SYME.

For SALE, *in the Town of* Newcaſtle,

THREE LOTS on the main Street, whereon is a large and commodious Dwelling-Houſe, Kitchen, Dairy, and Smokehouſe, a Garden newly paled in, and every other Convenience for a Family; the Whole in very good Order. They were lately the Property of *William Muir*, of the ſaid Town, and will be ſold at the next *October* Hanover Court, by Virtue of a Deed of Truſt from him to

SAMUEL PEARSON.
(tf) WILLIAM JOHNSON.
CHARLES TINSLEY.

NEWCASTLE, *July* 14, 1773.

THE Subſcribers have on Hand between ſix and ſeven Hundred Pounds Sterling Worth of EUROPEAN and EAST INDIA GOODS, which they will diſpoſe of at a low Advance, by Wholeſale, and make the Terms of Payment convenient to the Purchaſer.——We requeſt the Favour of all thoſe indebted to us to come and ſettle their Accounts immediately, by Bond or Payment, otherwiſe they may be aſſured their Accounts will be put into an Attorney's Hands, without Reſpect to Perſons. (tf) JOHNSON & TINSLEY.

TO BE SOLD,

And may be entered on immediately,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND in *Brunſwick*, containing about 1000 Acres, of which about 100 Acres are cleared. On the Plantation is an exceeding good Dwellinghouſe, underpinned with Brick, with three Brick Chimnies, a Kitchen with a Brick Chimney, and all other Outhouſes neceſſary for a Family and Cropping, all new built; alſo a very fine Apple and Peach Orchard. The Land lies within twelve Miles of *Hicks's* Ford, and joins the Road to *Eaton's* Ferry. A good Title will be made the Purchaſer, and the Terms may be known by applying to the Subſcriber, at *Cabin Point*. (tf) ADAM FLEMING.

YORK Town, *June* 9, 1773.

THE Subſcribers being very ſolicitous to comply with the Will of their Teſtator, the late Honourable *William Nelſon*, deſire that all Perſons who were indebted to him will endeavour to make as ſpeedy Payments as poſſible. Thoſe who have Accounts open on his Books, and who cannot immediately diſcharge the Balances, are deſired to give their Bonds. This Requeſt is the more neceſſary, as moſt of the Legacies bequeathed by the Teſtator are to be paid in Sterling Money, and he has directed that his younger Sons Fortunes ſhall be placed out at Intereſt upon undoubted Securities, ſo ſoon as it can be done. Thoſe who have any Demands are deſired to make them immediately known.

THOMAS NELSON.
THOMAS NELSON, Junior.
(tf) HUGH NELSON.
RO. C. NICHOLAS.

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT fourteen Thouſand Acres of exceeding good LAND in the County of *Pittſylvania*. For Terms apply to Mr. *Hugh Roſs* of *Amherſt*, who will treat with any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe, and is empowered to make a legal Title.

CAROLINE, *May* 1, 1773. (tf) THOMAS LOMAX.

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